

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SCHUYLKILL TOWNSHIP
75 WALNUT STREET
MARY-D, PA 17952**

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2015, at 7p.m. in the Municipal Building. Those present included Charles Hosler, Christine Verdier and Charles Fayash. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited.

The Chairman entertained a motion to accept the August Minutes. A motion to approve the August minutes as written was made by Verdier; 2nd Hosler. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$406,076.71 total in bank accounts. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report pending audit was made by Fayash; 2nd Hosler. All approved.

Replies to last month's public questions.

Nothing further regarding last month's questions.

Public comment on agenda items only

No public comment.

Police Report – August 2015

No report. Officer has returned to duty; she is presently out on a call.

Road master Report-

Cut grass, painted lines; trimmed back hedge at Union Street; dug holes for sewer study at Reevesdale. Township began buying anti-skid for winter season.

Solicitors Report- Michael Greek

Under old business- need approval to advertize ordinances

Committee Reports

-COG-Meeting will be at the Mahanoy City Borough Hall September 23 2015. Pizza and paving demonstration at 6 o'clock; meeting at 7 o'clock

ESRC- Did not meet in August; will meet in September

Tax Collection Committee did not meet in August. Is there a meeting in September?

Communications:

Alfred Benesch notified the Township that the Tuscarora water line project was awarded to Doli Construction. They hope to start on it this fall. There are some tax clearance issues still holding up project; working on getting issues resolved as soon as possible

Schuylkill County is having County wide fall cleanup and recycling. The Tamaqua Transfer Station will be open the week of September 21; flyers are on table in hallway. Will take scrap tires, electronics, appliances, scrap metal, bulky items; there is a charge for some items. Verdier has a call out to the recycling coordinator since the Township is overflowing with televisions at this time.

Old Business

A late charge of \$20.00 per month will be added to over due garbage bills for 2015.

The Motion to approve resolution for PLIGIT Procurement Cards was pushed to October.

Partial audit status: We met with the auditor regarding the 2015 partial audit. The payroll and general fund accounts for the 2015 partial were straightened out. He is working on completing year end auditing data.

The 2014 data was given to the auditor so he could begin on the yearly audit for 2014.

ADA self evaluation was completed to stay compliant to receive Federal CBDG money from the County. We met with Consultant to go over this building and the playground in Tuscarora. She gave us some adjustments that need to be made to make them more acceptable to those with disabilities. Small things such as a sign on the men's room; the partition in the women's rest room needs to be removed to allow for better access. There is no time frame to complete changes, just needed to have the evaluation completed to keep our grant in compliance.

The Petty Cash analysis still needs to be completed. Copies of receipts were forwarded to all Supervisors for review and follow up. Chuck Fayash called Jaime but is still waiting for a reply. The newspaper article reported on the two car washes that were done on April 15, supposedly by the Police Office, within twenty minutes of each other. The Auditor checked the time cards and the officer was not even on duty that date and time. We still need clarification of the receipts.

Christine Verdier made a motion to advertise for three positions: the Request For Proposal for Code Enforcement, the Township Secretary/Treasurer and a Maintenance Staff; 2nd Hosler. All approved.

New Business

Open bids for 2016 Garbage Collection. Two bids received from Advanced Disposal and Tamaqua Transfer. Bids are:

Advanced Disposal	Tamaqua Transfer
1 year \$94,920	\$86,500
2 Year \$191,738	\$173,000
3 Year \$209,493	\$259,500
4 Year \$391,223	\$346,000
5 Year \$493,967	\$432,500

Current bid with Kreitzer is \$85,440 per year.

A motion was made by Verdier to accept a five year contract from Tamaqua Transfer; 2nd Hosler. Fayash-No. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Verdier to approve PSATS Unemployment Compensation Insurance Cooperative Trust resolution; 2nd by Fayash. All approved.

A motion was made by Verdier to approve PSATS Health Insurance Cooperative Trust Ordinance; 2nd Hosler. All approved.

A motion was made by Verdier to approve the Fair Housing Ordinance for CDBG Grant; 2nd Fayash. All approved.

A motion was made by Verdier to appoint Chuck Fayash as a Right to Know Officer; 2nd Hosler. Fayash-No. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Verdier to hire cleaning personnel for the Township building; 2nd Fayash. All approved.

Public Comment

Mary Van Pelt: When did our police office return? Answer: Last week. She stated there is a truck on Valley St. constantly parked on the road, over the white line. Why can't something be done about it as it is a safety issue? Verdier did respond that it has been brought to the Officer's attention. Much discussion occurred.

John Bubon requested a meeting with Supervisors to discuss the incident at July's meeting to review Township policy on meeting conduct.

Paul Benulis questioned 'What is an acceptable code of conduct?

Dan Gray requested more visible presence of Police Officer; doesn't feel she is working in the Township's interest.

John Zubris questioned whether a truck, as budgeted, will be purchased this year.

Mary Van Pelt asked who fills in when police officer is not on duty. Answer: PA State Police. Always call 911 for service if officer is not on duty. State Policy will handle or 911 will keep message for officer when she returns to duty.

Verdier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Hosler. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Suzanne Apanavage